Re: Vision Case 03871

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Mr. Brian August, Esq.

In response to your email dated March 18, 2021, subject "Vision Case 03871, I have responded below

It is my opinion that the January 26, 2021 status conference would have been the proper venue to bring your request to add an additional party to your action. Furthermore, I do not find that the law affords a different standard to Pro-Se litigants, only that it provides extraordinary patience for technical and procedural ignorance.

The reasons you allege and laws you assert, that may grant you leave for this request, are for a judge to determine. Please make your motions to the court. I do not consent to any extralegal requests in this case, especially when a Pro-Se party represents that "the facts of this case are the same". Stating an opinion with equivocation does not constitute adjudicating the law. My decision is irrevocable.

The NFA website provides detailed information ("facts") that apparently oppose the facts alleged in this email, (1) Nefertiti Holding Company ("NHC) approved June 25, 2020 is affiliated with Nefertiti Asset Management LLC ("NAM") approved September 22, 2020 and has no "Firm Activity Status" (see attachments)

I am still waiting for a plainly stated, clearly articulated cause of action by Plaintiffs for demonstrable damages against me under any rules of evidence.

Julie Villa

On Thu, Mar 18, 2021 at 1:21 PM Samantha Kumaran < samantha@timetricsrisk.com > wrote:

Jenny, Thanks for your quick reply. As you know, Brian does not represent me Pro-Se, (and he does not have a retainer to represent me) - just as you do not represent Ms. Villa who is also appearing Pro-Se. There is no obligation for you and Ms. Villa (Pro-Se) to file a combined brief, and neither would you agree to file a brief with a Pro-Se you do not represent. Therefore you cannot expect our side either to do the same

Likewise, we are having to accept two separate filings and briefs from Ms. Villa (Pro-Se) separately and the Your Defendants represented by you. Similarly Mr. Kadlec has different counsel and briefings from NFA.

As such, since the Pro-Se standards are very different (as Ms. Villa also knows) I am under no obligation to file my pleadings with a counsel that does not represent my Pro-Se interests. If you are proposing that you and Ms Villa combine briefs and there is equitable combining of briefs your objection would be better understood.

Therefore going forward, to maintain Pro-Se status all my filings will be separate. If you are willing to allow the Corporate Plaintiffs to file under the Pro-Se standards, please let me know.

That should not impact your willingness to agree to NAM becoming a party to this case. Please could you articulate your reason for that, as the facts of this case are the same.

Kind regards, Samantha S. Kumaran President and CEO samantha@timetricsrisk.com

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	Original Message n Thursday, March 18, 2021 12:53 PM, Chou, Jenny < <u>JChou@wiggin.com</u> > wrote:
	Dear Attorney August:
	As I stated at the January 26, 2021 status conference, the Vision and Lazzara Defendants consented to Ms. Kumaran and NRCM filing a second amended complaint.
	However, we did not, nor do we now, consent to NRCM filing a complaint separate from Ms. Kumaran, as Doc. No. 49 appears to be; and, given the extraordinary length of the pleadings, are not in a position to consent to NAM's addition as a party or your request to "relate back" at this time. We reserve all rights to challenge the propriety and sufficiency of the pleadings under the applicable rules.
	Regards,
	Jenny
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	Subject: Vision Case 03871
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	Dear Ms. Chou and Ms. Villa:
	I write on behalf of my clients, Nefertiti Risk Capital Management ("NRCM") and Nefertiti Asset Management ("NAM"). I am requesting your consent to add NAM as a party to this action, and also request that under FRCP Rule 15(c), the claims of both NRCM and NAM relate back to original filing date of the complaint. From the outset, both the NAM and STORM funds have been extensively mentioned throughout the Complaint. No new facts have been added since the original date of filing date of May 18, 2020. The Courts readily grant leave for this exact type of request.
	Legal support is as follows:

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Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 21 provides that parties may be dropped or added by order of the court. It is "generally accepted ... that no material difference exists between the standards articulated by Rules 15(a) and 21, and, as such, where parties satisfy the requirements under Rule 15(a) for leave to amend, they will generally be permitted to add parties under Rule 21." Sanrio Co. v. Epic Trading, Inc., No.2004–5428(NG)(MDG), 2005 WL 1705746, at *1 (E.D.N.Y. July 21, 2005) (quotation and alteration omitted).

Amendments made pursuant to Rule 15(a) should be "freely granted when justice so requires" in order to accomplish the underlying purpose of the Rule, which is "to provide maximum opportunity for each claim to be decided on its merits rather than on procedural technicalities." Alpha Lyracom Space Commc'ns, Inc. v. Commc'ns Satellite Corp., No. 89 Civ. 5021(JFK), 1994 WL 256671, at *2 (S.D.N.Y. June 7, 1994); see Foman v. Davis, 371 U.S. 178, 182, 83 S.Ct. 227, 9 L.Ed.2d 222 (1962) ("If the underlying facts or circumstances relied upon by a plaintiff may be a proper subject of relief, he ought to be afforded an opportunity to test his claim on the merits."). Pursuant to FRCP 15(c), NRCM and NAM also respectfully seek leave to relate back its claims to the original filing date of May 18, 2020. As is generally the case with amendments to the pleadings under Rule 15, the "relation back" doctrine set forth in Rule 15(c) is also to be liberally applied. See, e.g., Staren v. American Nat'l Bank and Trust Co. of Chicago, 529 F.2d 1257, 1263 (7th Cir.1976) (noting that amendments under Rule 15(c) should be freely allowed); Pucci v. Litwin, 828 F.Supp. 1285, 1296 (N.D.III.1993) (Rule 15(c) is to be liberally construed). Since NRCM was on the original filing, and Defendants have been on full notice of the facts and its claims there is no prejudice to them in having adequate notice of what claims are being brought and their ability to respond. Therefore NRCM's claims, do not add any new information to Defendants response to the facts, and to the extent they exist, relate back to the original filing date of May 18, 2020.

As is generally the case with amendments to the pleadings under Rule 15, the "relation back" doctrine set forth in Rule 15(c) is also to be liberally applied. See, e.g., Staren v. American Nat'l Bank and Trust Co. of Chicago, 529 F.2d 1257, 1263 (7th Cir.1976) (noting that amendments under Rule 15(c) should be freely allowed); Pucci v. Litwin, 828 F.Supp. 1285, 1296 (N.D.III.1993) (Rule 15(c) is to be liberally construed). Rule 15(c) and its relation back doctrine are "intimately connected" with the policy underlying the statute of limitations. Paulk v. Department of Air Force, Chanute Air Force Base, 830 F.2d 79, 82 (7th Cir.1987) (quoting Advisory Committee Notes to the 1963 Amendment to Rule 15). The relation back doctrine seeks to balance the policy of facilitating resolution of claims on the merits, which is effectuated by liberally permitting amendment of pleadings, and the policy underlying statutes of limitations—to guarantee "essential fairness" to defendants by ensuring that they receive notice of claims within a reasonable time, and thus are not impaired in their defense by evidence that is lost or diminished in its clarity because of the undue passage of time. See U.S. ex rel. Koch v. Koch Industries, Inc., 188 F.R.D. 617, 628 (N.D.Okla.1999)

We are looking to move this case forward expeditiously, and your consent to my request will reduce the burden on all parties, as the alternative will entail additional motion practice. Please let me know as soon as you can.

l appreciate your cooperation in advance.

Best,

Brian

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